

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 are currently pending in the present application.

The specification has been amended to recite a claim of priority to related International and German patent applications in accordance with the originally filed Application Data Sheet. Support for this amendment is found in the Application Data Sheet as originally filed.

The sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4 has been amended in the attached substitute Sequence Listing to correct an obvious inadvertently introduced typographical error in the originally filed Sequence Listing. Support for this amendment is found in the originally filed specification (See e.g., page 20, Table 1).

The specification has been amended to replace the originally filed Sequence Listing with the attached substitute Sequence Listing. In response to the Notification to Comply with Requirements, Applicants append herewith a printed (pdf.file) copy of a written substitute Sequence Listing along with a corresponding electronic (txt.file) copy of the substitute Sequence Listing recorded in computer readable form. Applicants submit that the content of the electronic copy of the substitute Sequence Listing is identical to the printed copy of the written substitute Sequence Listing. Applicants further submit that the sequence shown in the electronically filed substitute Sequence Listing is identical to the sequence contained in this application as originally filed. Support for the sequence listed in the printed, and corresponding electronic, substitute Sequence Listing is found within the present application as originally filed.

It is believed that no new matter has been introduced by the amendments to the specification and the submission of the attached substitute Sequence Listing.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is now in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. Therefore, withdrawal of the Notification to Comply with Requirements is respectfully requested.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the merits, and early examination of claims 1-6 is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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